



*Conference Call  
September 15, 2016*

**Attendance:**

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| Ted Mason       | FWS, NIFC                                |
| Tony Beitia     | BIA, NIFC – Not on call                  |
| Shelby Gales    | BLM – Not on call                        |
| Chad Fisher     | NPS, NIFC                                |
| John Owens      | BLM, Safety Advisor, NIFC                |
| Bill Troup      | USFA                                     |
| Tim Blake       | NWCG, NIFC                               |
| Shane Greer     | USFS, NIFC                               |
| John Giller     | USFS                                     |
| Joe Domitrovich | USFS, MTDC                               |
| Mark Goeller    | Oklahoma Department of Agriculture       |
| Wesley Keller   | PA Bureau of Forestry                    |
| Mike Degroski   | Chief of Fire Management Bureau, MT DNRC |
| Corey Butler    | NIOSH                                    |
| Kaili McRay     | IEMS – Not on call                       |
| Matt McFarlane  | HTSC – Not on call                       |
| Hope Spriggs    | USFS, NIFC                               |

**Guests:**

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| Kathy Komatz | 6 Minutes for Safety – Not on call |
| Russ Babiak  | USFW – Not on call                 |
| Britt Rosso  | LLC                                |

**NWCG Updates (Blake)**

- Executive board meeting next week, will be discussing the alignment of LFML and FML courses.
- 2016 PMS 310-1 will be released October 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Some reorganization in NWCG but Tim will continue to be the coordinator for RMC.

**MTDC Update (Domitrovich)**

- Smoke and Heat Stress modules are still available in the field – both fire and Rx.
- PT Standard recommendation for IHC, Smokejumpers and Rappellers has been submitted, waiting for USFS FAM review.
- PT Program design and implementation work being done, train the trainer will be held this January for employees to attend and bring program back to their home units. If interested, contact Joe.
- Project to update First Aid 10 Person Trauma Kit - will have a presentation at the fall meeting.

**Safety Gram (Owens)**

- Newest S-G was distributed to the RMC this morning. 11 fatalities to date this year.

**NIOSH updates (Butler)**

- Study proposals are underway.
- Working to make improvements to fire accident/safety coding errors.

**SOF2 path to ICT2 proposal (Fisher)**

- Considering proposal to allow a path from SOF2 to ICT2.
- RMC has no objections in submitting this proposal to the OTC.

**Action Log update**

- To be reviewed at next month's meeting.

**Chair rotation and selection of vice-chair (All)**

- Mark Goeller will be the next chair.
- Potential vice chair: Shelby Gales

**Wildland Firefighter Respiratory Protection Proposal**

- USFA - Bill was sent a Wildland firefighter respiratory protection proposal, who has shared it with the RMC, and recommendations were returned.

**Next Meeting:**

- Oct 25-27, 2016 in Gatlinburg, TN in conjunction with the NWCG ETC meeting.
- Fly into Knoxville.
- Full RMC agenda Tuesday.
- Wednesday AM meeting with ETC (RMC meeting location).
- Thursday AM: joint meeting with ETC continues.

**Future Meeting?**

- Human performance course at McClellan Jan 23-25, 2017. We could observe the course and have RMC meeting 26-27.
- Mark Goeller to determine if this should be a future meeting location or to instead send an RMC rep.

## *Round Robin*

**BLM:** (Gales) – Not on call.

**BIA:** (Beitia) – Not on call.

- BIA is working to include a BIA rep on this committee.

**FWS:** (Mason)

- No updates.

**NPS** (Fisher)

- Operations position has closed.

**USFS:** (Greer/Giller)

- No Updates.

**USFA:** (Bill)

- Beginning a study on Int'l Association of Women Firefighters on health and safety issues in regards to the female firefighter.
- Fire service ergonomics study has begun.
- Construction of fire safety buildings/fire stations (focusing occupational safety and health considerations).
- About to complete emergent health and safety issue study. Should be out at the end of the year.

## **States:**

**Eastern States** (Keller)

- Low activity, Maine is fairly dry.
- Supporting western incidents.

**Southern States** (Mark)

- Activity has lessened, some rain received. Some tropical storm activity.

**Western States** (Mike)

- Most western states (except GB and CA) experienced a normal to below normal season.

*Next Call: all at 1300 MST*

- TBA.

Conference call adjourned.